

**Introduced by Senators Brulte, Ayala, Haynes, Kelley, and
Knight**

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 104—Relative to the
William E. Leonard Interchange.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 104, as introduced, Brulte. William E. Leonard
Interchange.

This measure would designate the freeway interchange,
now under construction, at the juncture of Interstate
Highway Route 15 and State Highway Route 210 in the
County of San Bernardino the “William E. Leonard
Interchange.”

The measure also would request the Department of
Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate plaques
and markers showing that special designation, and, upon
receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover
that cost, to erect those plaques and markers.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, William E. Leonard is deserving of special
2 public commendation in recognition of his exemplary
3 career and many civic achievements as a citizen of
4 California’s Inland Empire; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Leonard received a Bachelor of
2 Science degree in Business Administration from the
3 University of California at Berkeley; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Leonard served his country during
5 World War II in the Philippines and Japan with the First
6 and Seventh Cavalry Divisions, achieving the rank of
7 First Lieutenant; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Leonard's productive career includes
9 founding and operating the Leonard Realty and Building
10 Company since 1946, as well as developing, owning, and
11 operating various city auto parks, apartment complexes,
12 land subdivisions, and the San Bernardino public golf
13 course; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Leonard has been a member and
15 chairman of both the California Highway Commission
16 (1973–1977) and the California Transportation
17 Commission (1985–93), a member of the State Athletic
18 Commission, and a member of the University of
19 California at Riverside Foundation; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Leonard also has served his
21 community and state as a member and chairman of the
22 San Bernardino Valley College Foundation; a trustee of
23 the St. Bernadine's Hospital Foundation; a member and
24 past chairman of the San Bernardino Valley College
25 Foundation; a member of the board of the Water
26 Commission of the City of San Bernardino; a member and
27 past director of the San Bernardino Chamber of
28 Commerce; a member and past director of the San
29 Bernardino Valley Board of Realtors; a past director,
30 president, and chairman of the Board of Governors of the
31 National Orange Show; a founding member and
32 president of Inland Action; a member and president of
33 the San Bernardino Host Lions; a member of the Bank of
34 America Inland Division Advisory Board; a member and
35 past chairman of the Security Pacific Bank Inland
36 Division Advisory Board; and a member, treasurer, and
37 elder of the First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino;
38 and

39 WHEREAS, This exceptional community leader
40 recently was honored by the Valley Group with its



1 Excellence in Infrastructure Award; by the East Inland
2 Empire Association of Realtors with its President's
3 Exceptional Service Award; by the Boy Scouts of
4 America's California Inland Empire Council with its
5 Distinguished Citizen's Award; and by the Historical and
6 Pioneer Society with its Citizen of the Year Award; and

7 WHEREAS, As a result of his tireless hard work and
8 unwavering commitment to the State of California and to
9 his local community in San Bernardino County and the
10 Inland Empire, William E. Leonard has succeeded in
11 compiling an impressive record of personal and civic
12 achievement, a record that has earned for him the
13 admiration and respect of those persons who have had the
14 privilege of associating with him; and

15 WHEREAS, It is proper and fitting that William E.
16 Leonard be honored on his exemplary career as well as his
17 constant record of leadership on state transportation
18 issues, especially his long-term support for the
19 construction of the Foothill Freeway, by naming the
20 freeway interchange now under construction at the
21 juncture of Interstate Highway Route 15 and State
22 Highway Route 210 in the County of San Bernardino the
23 William E. Leonard Interchange; now, therefore, be it

24 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the*
25 *Assembly thereof concurring,* That the freeway
26 interchange at the juncture of Interstate Highway Route
27 15 and State Highway Route 210 in the County of San
28 Bernardino be officially designated the "William E.
29 Leonard Interchange"; and be it further

30 *Resolved,* That the Department of Transportation is
31 requested to determine the cost of appropriate plaques
32 and markers, consistent with the signing requirements
33 for the state highway system, showing that special
34 designation, and, upon receiving donations from nonstate
35 sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those plaques
36 and markers; and be it further

37 *Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit
38 copies of this resolution to the Department of
39 Transportation and to the author for appropriate

- 1 distribution.
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